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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 5/27/2010 has been entered.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1, 4-6, 8-17 and 19-30 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

With respect to independent claims 1 and 19, directed to catalyst/adduct compositions. None of the prior art fairly teaches or suggest a composition comprising a <u>SOLID</u> adduct of MgCl₂, with a Lewis base selected from the specific groups, and an alcohol. Also having the specifically claimed molar ratio defined by the ranges of m and n. As such the instant claim is seen as novel and non-obvious over the prior art, and is deemed allowable. It is noted that the prior art teaches adducts of MgCl₂ with a Lewis base and an alcohol. However, this compound is not solid until addition of the transition metal halide, which will dealcoholate the adduct, and while providing a solid, it will not meet the claimed ratio of m to n (see Yang et al. US Patent 6,034,025). The claims

dependent upon these claims are found to be allowable for the same reasons given above, and in further consideration of their addition limitations.

With respect to independent claims 14, 15, 25 and 28, directed towards processes of making, processing of using, and catalyst systems. These claims and the claims dependent upon them are found to be allowable, as they at least contain all of the limitations present in claims 1 and 19, for which claims 1 and 19 were found to be allowable

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to JAMES E. MCDONOUGH whose telephone number is (571)272-6398. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30am-5:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jerry Lorengo can be reached on (571)272-1233. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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/James E McDonough/ Examiner, Art Unit 1793